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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment mostly steady to instances weak on whole turkeys. Offerings were adequate for the fair inquiry. Trading on whole turkeys was most active in the West with a light volume moving in the Central Region. Bulk meats and bulk parts trading was sporadic. Market tone barely steady to weak on thigh meat, tom v-type wings steady to fully steady.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export trading centered on tom wings and hen defatted gizzards moving West.

#### SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	90-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	85-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	87-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	90-115

#### LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	73-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	88-95
BREASTS 10-12#	151-153
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	79-82
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	77
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	65
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	65-70
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-73

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS					
EASTERN REGION 3/	55-59	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-59	57.5-59	57.91	110	
WESTERN REGION 5/	55-62	55	55.00	1400	
16-24 LB TOMS					
EASTERN REGION	55-59	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	55-59	58-59	58.20	50	
WESTERN REGION	55-65	55-65	55.48	252	

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION 3/	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	-	-	-

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION 3/	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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**YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 19 JANUARY 1999.

Undertone on tom parts steady on drums, improved on full-cut wings, steady to fully steady on 2-joint wings. Hen parts undertone steady to barely steady on 2-joint wings and steady to weak mostly steady to barely steady on drums. Inquiry light on frozen thigh meat for export for the readily available offerings. Offerings of 4-8 lb. breasts uneven ranging from light to ample. For export: tom wings (4 containers, 1 rail-car) 18.50-19, hen defatted gizzards (1 rail-car) 58.50 cents delivered.

<b>DOMESTIC TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE RANGE</b>	<b>L.S.T. CODE 1/</b>	<b>WTD AVG PRICE</b>	<b>VOLUME (000)</b>
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	96.00		96.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	88.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	18.93	300
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	20.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	21.00	16
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	25.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	25.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	38.50		38.50	30
NECKS, TOM	24.00		24.00	6
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	165.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	170.20	204
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	59.86	70
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	107.50	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	97.00	40
TENDERLOINS		R	107.00	24
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	126.00-135.00		129.33	240
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	57.10	400
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	16.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		W	14.00	40
<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	21.74	184
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	24.75-26.00		25.58	312
TAILS		T	18.99	288
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.80	400
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	54.00		54.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted. 3/ Without tenderloins. 4/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.